Northern Monroe County Fire Protection Territory

Executive Committee Meeting

NMCFPT-Bloomington Township Station, 5081 N Old State Rd. 37, Bloomington IN

March 1, 2017 MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm by Barbara Ooley

Committee Members Present: Lillian Henegar (BT), Geoff McKim (BT), Barb Ooley (WT), Clayton

Brickert (WT), Mike Baker (WT)

Committee Members Absent: Vic Kelson (BT)

NMCFPT/BT Staff Present: Lisa Myers, Matt Bright, Joel Bomgardner, Dave Calvin

Members of the Public Present: Michelle Bright (Benton Twp. Trustee), Darla Myers, Craig Dohman, Brian Stewart, Rich Slabach

- 1) Approval of meeting agenda: Motion to approve agenda without change by Clayton Brickert with a second by Mike Baker. Motion passed.
- 2) Approval of minutes: Motion to Approve February 1, 2017 minutes by Geoff McKim with a second by Clayton Brickert. Motion passed.

3) New Business

a. Barb Ooley advised that the Washington Township Board had met the night before and voted to move forward with the acquisition of the land owned by Cook Inc., located on Simpson Chapel Road. Washington Township will then retain ownership and responsibility for the land and any structure.

4) Old Business

- a. Territory apparatus Chief Bomgardner advised that apparatus specifications for the new rescue engine will be advertised for bids on both the 17th and the 24th of March. Bids will be due by March 31st. They will be opened at a public meeting on March 31st at 1 pm.
- b. Washington Township station Mike Baker advised that Cook has expressed interest in donating the Simpson Chapel property to the Territory with three provisions which include the ability for Cook to subdivide adjacent property in the future, the potential for sewer hook-up, and approval of any final building designs. Currently we are waiting to hear back from Cook in order to determine how to proceed further.

5) Updates and Reports

- a. Chief's Report
 - i Chief Bomgardner provided a summation of the past month's emergency calls. While February was a very slow month for emergency calls, the department did respond to two arson fires as well as a significant residence fire in Washington

- Township. The compressed air foam system helped save belongings within the house and prevent a rekindle of the fire.
- ii Newsletter Deputy Chief Bright passed out a draft of the newsletter. The timeline is to mail it before the end of March. Direct mail to Bloomington and Washington Townships is a possibility. Also, an every door direct mail which would could be delivered to areas surrounding the Territory including most of Benton Township. Still waiting on exact costs, but using the Herald Times in conjunction with the every door mailing looks to be preferred option.
- iii New Uniforms are in and are being worn by staff. Chief Bomgardner pointed out that items like new badges have been ordered at a cost of around \$800. Other uniform items like dress shirts and collar brass are next to be done.
- iv Chief Bomgardner pointed out that the first phase of new hires have started.
 - 1) Deputy Chief Calvin advised the three new hires started with a four week academy this Monday, and things are going well. Both he and the career staff are conducting the training.
 - 2) Chief Bomgardner pointed out that the second phase of hires will follow the same plan. After the training is done for each class, they will be placed on a permanent shift. With the new hires in place, personnel will be ready to staff the new Washington Township station.
 - 3) Deputy Chief Calvin invited all committee members to a swearing in ceremony for the first phase of new hires on Friday March 24th at 4 p.m. to be held at Station 5.

6) **Public Comment**

- a. Geoff McKim took the opportunity to pass along that the Monroe County Budget Order had been finalized by the DLGF which formally establishes the tax rates.
- b. There was no other public comment.

7) Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 5:49 p.m.